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62627 7590 06/26/2007 DAVID W. LYNCH CHAMBLISS, BAHNER & STOPHEL 1000 TALLAN SQUARE-S TWO UNION SQUARE CHATTANOOGA, TN 37402			EXAMINER SCHLIE, PAUL W	
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Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/777,531	DAVIS ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Paul W. Schlie	2186	

All Participants:

Status of Application: pending

(1) Paul W. Schlie (USPTO).

(3) David W. Lynch (Applicant's Attorney).

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Date of Interview: 5 June 2007

Time: ~ 1:00pm

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

U.S.C. 103 & ODP over 10/777,529

Claims discussed:

71-79

Prior art documents discussed:

Krum et al.


Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.


PIERRE BATAILLE
PRIMARY EXAMINER
 6/14/07

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: It was agreed that Krum et al, nor other prior art of record clearly taught a multi-level hierarchically configured mass storage system being further limited by a specific linear configuration of sub storage elements proposed to be presented in a forth coming amendment, and was further agreed that such a set of claims would be reasonably considered obvious in view of similarly amended claims presented for co-pending application 10/777,529; thereby the examiner will delay response to the pending application until after timely receipt of the proposed further amended claims and corresponding anticipated TD.